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Dear Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner.

This statement should be considered because it is submitted within three months of the filing date of the above-identified application, which is not an application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d). Accordingly, no fee is due for consideration of the items listed on the enclosed Form 1449.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2), a copy of each foreign document or other information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 is provided. As this application was filed after June 30, 2003, copies of the cited U.S. Patent Documents are not included.

Applicants respectfully bring to the Examiner's attention that four of the references listed on the enclosed Form 1449 were cited in an International Search Report, enclosed herewith. Since the International Search Report is in English, no English translation of the listed foreign references are required, pursuant to MPEP §609(A)3. Applicant also brings to the Examiner's attention and that five of the references listed on the enclosed Form 1449 were cited in a German Office Action dated 24 June 2004, enclosed herewith.

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A concise explanation of the relevance of each non-English language document on other information is as follows (37 C.F.R. §(a)(3)):

English abstracts are provided for the following references: DE 44 47 121, DE 102 38 738, EP 0 856 610, DE 200 10 316, DE 197 03 406, DE 43 40 410, DE 195 45 131, and DE 202 00 509.

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Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

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	DOCUMENT NO.	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION	
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	DE 44 47 121	3 August 1995	Germany			Abstract	
	DE 82 23 404 U	25 Nov 1982	Germany				X
	DE 102 38 738	18 Sept. 2003	Germany			Abstract	
	EP 0 856 610	5 Aug. 1998	EPO			Abstract	
	DE 200 10 316	18 Oct. 2001	Germany			Abstract	
	DE 202 01 673	13 June 2002	Germany				X
	DE 197 03 406	6 Aug. 1998	Germany			Abstract	
	DE 43 40 410	8 June 1995	Germany			Abstract	
	DE 195 45 131	5 June 1997	Germany			Abstract	
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